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Applicant: Derek O'Hagan

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Title: MICROPARTICLES WITH ADSORBED POLYNUCLEOTIDE-CONTAINING SPECIES

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) AND
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition the Assistant Commissioner to grant a one (1) month extension of time, up to and including May 10, 2006, in which to respond to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2006 in the above-identified application. The extension fee in the amount of \$120.00 may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047. In addition, any deficiencies may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.

In response to the Office Action mailed March 10, 2006, the period for response thereto having been extended by a Petition therefore and payment of the extension fee, please consider the following remarks:

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Group B, CpG oligonucleotide (claim 78).

Group C, immunological adjuvant adsorbed (claim 86).

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance, early notification of which is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (703) 433-0510 to discuss any outstanding issues in this case.

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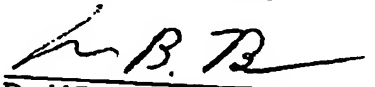
The Office is authorized to charge any fees required in connection with this application, to deposit account number 50-1047.

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